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FOR: ARTICLE HAVING AN EMBEDDED ACCESSIBLE  
STORAGE MEMBER, APPARATUS AND  
METHOD FOR USING SAME

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COMMUNICATION

Dear Sir:

This COMMUNICATION is responsive to an Office Action dated September 7, 2001, which set a shortened statutory period for

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response to this action to one (1) month from the date thereof requiring a response to be filed on or before October 7, 2001.

Pursuant to a Petition under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a), concurrently filed herewith, together with the fee required under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(5), the undersigned elects to extend the response date five (5) months from October 7, 2000 to March 7, 2002.

ADDITIONAL FEES

No additional fees are deemed due herein for filing of this COMMUNICATION. However, if any fees are required for any reason, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 13-2515.

REMARKS

**Claims in the Application**

Claims 1 through 84 were originally filed in this United States Patent Application. The claim(s) are subject to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 as set forth below.

**Election/Restriction**

The Examiner imposed a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 and determined that the following distinct inventions were present in this United States Patent Application:

<u>Group</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Classification</u>
I	1-40 and 66-76	Drawn to a data storage card, classified in Class 235, subclass 487

<u>Group</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Classification</u>
II	41-65 and 77-86	Drawn to a card reading/writing system, classified in Class 235, subclass 380

The undersigned hereby elects Group I, Claims 1-40 and 66-76 for prosecution in this Application. This election is made without traverse.

**Withdrawn Invention**

Group II is withdrawn from further consideration by the Examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

Respectfully submitted,



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